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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Tiffany Stebbins, Regulatory Compliance Representative  
Marathon Oil Company  
27 Maverick Springs Road  
P.O. Box 130  
Kinnear, Wyoming 82516

Re: Underground Injection Control (UIC)  
Notice of Violation:  
Loss of Mechanical Integrity  
Shoshone 65-38 Well  
EPA Permit ID # WY20000-02177  
API # 49-013-06845  
Circle Ridge Oil Field  
Fremont County, Wyoming

Dear Ms. Stebbins:

On April 8, 2015, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) learned that the Marathon Oil Company injection well referenced above lost mechanical integrity on April 7, 2015. Pursuant to Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 144.28(f)(2) (40 C.F.R. § 144.28(f)(2)), you must establish and maintain mechanical integrity. A loss of mechanical integrity is a violation of this requirement.

Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 144.28(f)(3), you must immediately cease injection into this well. Before injection may resume, you must demonstrate that the well has mechanical integrity by passing a mechanical integrity test (MIT). You must also receive written authorization from the EPA.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, please submit a letter describing what action you intend to take regarding the well, including a time frame in which you anticipate the work to be completed. It is expected that you will return this well to compliance within ninety (90) days of the loss of mechanical integrity.

If you choose to plug and abandon this well, a plugging and abandonment plan must be submitted to the EPA for approval prior to the plugging operation.

Failure to comply with UIC regulations found at 40 C.F.R. Parts 144 and 146 constitutes one or more violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300h. Such non-compliance may subject you to formal enforcement by the EPA, as codified at 40 C.F.R. Part 22.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, you may contact Gary Wang at (303) 312-6469. Please direct all correspondence to the attention of Gary Wang at Mail Code 8ENF-UFO.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Arturo Palomares", followed by a small, stylized mark that looks like "or".

Arturo Palomares, Director  
Water Technical Enforcement Program  
Office of Enforcement, Compliance  
and Environmental Justice

cc: Darwin St. Clair, Chairman, Eastern Shoshone Tribe  
Darrell O'Neal, Chairman, Northern Arapaho Tribe  
Lokilo St. Clair, Acting Director, Wind River Environmental Quality Commission  
Tom Kropatch, Wyoming Oil & Gas Conservation Commission